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Fandomfest Comic & Toy Show Plays to Fans of Anime, Horror, Pop Culture, Sci-Fi, Gaming and More

LOUISVILLE, Ky (July 21, 2016) — More than 20,000 celebrities, authors, artists and fans of anime, horror, pop culture, sci-fi, steampunk, comic books, gaming, film, television and literature will come to the Kentucky Exposition Center July 29-31 for Fandomfest Comic & Toy Show, the largest comic con in the region.

The family-friendly weekend offers a full schedule of gaming, panel sessions, cosplay, photo ops and autographs, a parade and shopping. The list of celebrities, authors and artists continues to grow and currently is approaching 75. It includes:

- Kevin Smith: one night only for a special screening of "Yoga Hosers"
- Stan Lee: creator of some of the most popular characters in the Marvel Universe
- Jason Priestly: rose to fame as a teen idol on "Beverly Hills, 90210"
- Anthony Michael Hall: lead actor in USA Network's "The Dead Zone"
- Eric Beebe: owner/founder of Post Mortem Press
- Angel Medina: illustrator for Marvel, Megaton and Image Comics
- Kent McCord: star of NBC's popular and iconic "Adam-12"
- John Dugan: best known for his role in "The Texas Chain Saw Massacre"

Fandomfest will be held in South Wing C, South Wing C Lobby and South Wing B Rooms 103-105 of the Kentucky Exposition Center. Exhibit and event hours are:

Friday, July 29 4 p.m.–9 p.m. Saturday, July 30 10 a.m. –7 p.m. Sunday, July 31 11 a.m.–5 p.m.

Several ticket options and packages are available. Visit www.FandomFest.com to purchase tickets and for more info, including a complete list of celebrities and special guests. Parking at the Kentucky Exposition Center is \$8 per car and \$20 per bus.

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One of the 10 largest facilities of its kind in the U.S., the <u>Kentucky Exposition Center</u> (KEC) features 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space, including Freedom Hall, an indoor arena that seats more than 19,000 people. The facility's class "A" exhibit space totals 677,000 square feet and accommodates a wide range of events year round. KEC is the permanent home of the Kentucky State Fair, National Farm Machinery Show, Eddie Ford Kentucky Hoopfest and North American International Livestock Exposition. For more information, go to www.kyexpo.org.

Conveniently located adjacent to the Louisville International Airport and near the junction of three major interstates, KEC is easily accessible and just seven minutes south of downtown Louisville. Entrances to the facility are located off Phillips Lane, Crittenden Drive and Preston Highway. Parking is \$8 per vehicle and \$20 per bus.